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Passed on File.

House File 454  
By MOTOR VEHICLES, COMMERCE AND TRADE.

Passed House, Date \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: Ayes\_\_\_\_\_ Nays\_\_\_\_\_

Passed Senate, Date \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: Ayes\_\_\_\_\_ Nays\_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_

A BILL FOR

An Act to amend section three hundred twenty-one point three hundred forty-two (321.342), Code 1950, relating to the stopping of vehicles at certain railroad crossings.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

1     Section 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point three

2     hundred forty-two (321.342), Code 1950, is hereby amended by

3     striking from line one (1) the word “is” and inserting in lieu

4     thereof the words “with reference to primary highways and local

5     authorities with reference to other highways under their

6     jurisdiction are each”.

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 454

Fatalities at urban railroad crossings in Iowa increased from 24 during the year 1948 to a total of 33 during 1949. This unprecedented increase of 37½% warrants the granting of additional jurisdiction to local authorities to control certain dangerous railroad crossings. This bill is designed to grant to local authorities the power to erect stop signs at the more isolated and less used, though dangerous, highway grade crossings under their jurisdiction, while retaining jurisdiction over primary highway grade crossings in the State Highway Commission.